

REMARKS

Claims 1-8 are pending. By this Amendment, independent claims 1, 2 and 6-8 are amended to clarify the features recited in those claims. Support for the amendments of claims 1 and 6-8 can be found in Applicants' specification, for example, at page 7, line 3-page 8, line 23. No new matter is added. A Request for Continued Examination is attached. Reconsideration of the application based on the following remarks is respectfully requested.

Claims 1-8 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) over Kennedy (U.S. Patent No. 6,754,192) in view of Haugli (U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2004/0125776) and further in view of Goddard (U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2002/0083117). The rejection is respectfully traversed.

The combination of Kennedy, Haugli, and Goddard fails to render obvious: "registering said at least one application of a node with a change-of-state notification means provided on the node, extracting routing information from a transport or network layer of the network, with said change-of-state notification means with which the application has previously been registered; and forwarding said routing information extracted by the notification means to the application, wherein the steps are performed within a same node of the network," as recited in claim 1; "operate as means for registering the application of the node with a change-of-state notification means provided on the node; operate as means for extracting routing information from a transport or network layer of the network, with said change-of-state notification means; and operate as means for forwarding the extracted routing information to the application, wherein registering of the application of the node, extracting routing information and forwarding the extracted routing information are performed within a same node of the network," as recited in independent claim 6; "operate as means for registering the application of the node with a change-of-state notification means provided on the node; operate as means for extracting routing information from a transport or network

layer of the network, with said change-of-state notification means; and operate as means for forwarding the extracted routing information to the application, wherein the registering of the application of the node, extracting routing information and forwarding the extracted routing information is performed within a same node of a network," as recited in independent claim 7; and "operate as means for registering of the application of the node with a change-of-state notification means provided on the node; operate as means for extracting routing information from a transport or network layer of the network with said change-of-state notification means; and operate as means for forwarding the extracted routing information to the application, wherein the registering of the application of the node, extracting routing information and forwarding the extract routing information are performed within the node" as recited in independent claim 8.

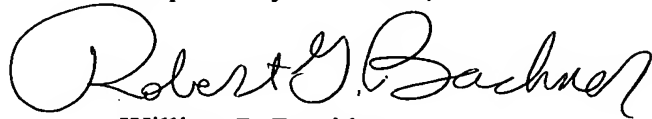
The features recited in independent claims 1 and 6-8 provide for registering, extracting and forwarding performed on one and the same node of the network. That is, an extraction and subsequent communication is made intra-node. The features recited in claims 1 and 6-8 provide for reduced infrastructure costs due to the need to transmit routing information over the network.

Kennedy, Haugli and Goddard, disclose communication routing information between nodes not, "within a same node of the network" as recited in independent claims 1, 6 and 7, and "within the node" as recited in independent claim 8. Thus, independent claims 1 and 6-8 would not have been rendered obvious by the combination of references. Accordingly, claims 2-5 also would not have been rendered obvious by the combination of references for their dependence on claim 1 for at least the reasons explained above regarding claim 1, and for the separately patentable features recited in the enumerated claims. Withdrawal of the rejection is respectfully requested.

In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that this application is in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration and prompt allowance of claims 1-8 are earnestly solicited.

Should the Examiner believe that anything further would be desirable in order to place this application in even better condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number set forth below.

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Request for Continued Examination

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